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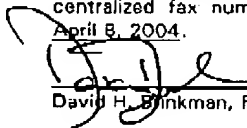
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 8, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

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Attorney Docket No. BEET-03**

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Amendment Transmittal (3 pages)
Amendment (18 pages)

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
2. ☐ Small Entity status is claimed.
☒ Other than a Small Entity.
3. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Extra	Present Rate	Fee	Present Rate	Fee
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X No additional fee for claims is required.

4. Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____.

_____ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$_____.

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5. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.

(a) _____ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

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___	one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
___	two months	\$ 420.00	\$210.00
___	three months	\$ 950.00	\$475.00
___	four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00

___ Attached is a check in the amount of \$___ for the three month extension fee as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(c).

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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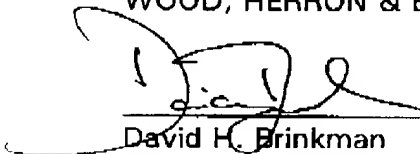
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(b) XX Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

XX If any additional fee for claims or extension of time is required, charge Account No. 23-3000. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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